

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
(Case No. 01-494)

5 In the Application of: )  
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 Stevenson et al. ) Examiner: Doan, Duyen My  
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 Serial No. 09/897,232 ) Group Art Unit: 2143  
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 Filed: July 2, 2001 ) Confirmation No.: 9022  
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 For: Network Management Apparatus and ) Customer No.: 20306  
 Method for Determining Network Events )  
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 Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

20 **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 12, 2006**

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed December 12, 2006.  
Please enter the following remarks and amendments into the record for this application.

**Amendments to the Claims (if any)** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on  
25 page 2 of this paper. Also enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time under 35 C.F.R. §  
1.136(a) (2 Months), along with requisite fees.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.